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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/438,358; Filed: November 12, 1999
For: **Compositions and Methods for Recombinational Cloning of
Nucleic Acid Molecules**

Inventors: Gerard *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.4640001/RWE/BJD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
2. Check No. 30592 in the amount of \$290.00 to cover the cost of a one month extension of time for a large entity (\$110.00) and the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement (\$180.00);
3. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (in duplicate);
4. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Fee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (in duplicate);



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5. 4 pages of Form PTO-1449 citing 21 documents;
6. A copy of each of the 21 cited documents;
7. Courtesy copies of missing documents AT1, AS4, AT4, AR5, AR9, AR19, AT21, AS22, AS24, AS26, AS29, AR32, AS32, AR35, AT36, AS38, AT40, AR46, AS46, AR47, AR49, AS49, AR50, AS52, AR53, AR54, AR57, AT58 and AS59-AS62, cited on Form PTO-1449 with the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 18, 2000;
8. Amendment & Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
9. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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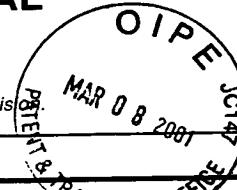
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